

Enjoy your stay at ...



Grand Summit Resort
Sunday River Access Road
Bethel, Maine

HOTEL RESERVATION at the Grand Summit Resort. A block of rooms have been reserved under NORTHEASTERN TRANSPORTATION AND WILDLIFE CONFERENCE -call 1-800-207-2365.

Room	Single/Double Rate
Summit - Studio Superior	\$60.00
Summit - Standard Unit	\$89.00
Summit - Studio Deluxe Unit	\$60.00

Reservation deadline for conference rate is August 10, 2006. Check in 4:30 PM - Check out 10:30 AM.

Deposit / Cancellation Policy: Confirmed reservations will automatically be billed for one night's room and tax at the time the reservation is made. Reservations cancelled before 72 hours prior to arrival will be refunded all but a \$25.00 cancellation fee. Cancellations within 72 hours of arrival forfeit the entire deposit amount. No refund for late arrivals, early departures, no-shows, or downgrades.

Hotel amenities include wireless internet access; heated outdoor pool and hot tub with indoor / outdoor access; health club with spa, steam room and sauna; tennis courts; Legends Restaurant (serves dinner); Moonstruck Café (serves breakfast & lunch); massage therapy (by appointment); concierge; 24-hour front desk; bell and valet service; daily housekeeping; gift shop; game room; and laundry facility.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION includes Technical Program, Welcome Reception, three continental breakfasts, breaks, two luncheon buffets, two dinners - Lobster Bake on Monday and BBQ at North Peak Lodge on Tuesday.

Checks are to be made payable to NorthEastern Transportation and Wildlife Conference and mailed to Jackie Guimond, MaineDOT, Office of the Chief Engineer, 16 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0016.

Refund Policy: Cancellations must be received five days prior to the start of the Conference.

EXHIBITS. Exhibitors are welcome! We have eight spaces available on a first-come, first-serve basis. The size is approximately 10' wide x 8' deep, a skirted table, two chairs, and an electrical outlet for \$150.00. Registration is separate.

SPONSORSHIP. Are you interested in promoting your organization/company? All sponsors will be recognized on the website, conference signs, and in the program.

Continental Breakfast = \$500 Break = \$400
Breakfast Buffet = \$800 Lunch = \$1,000
Lobster Bake = \$3,000 BBQ = \$1,500
Outing to North Peak = \$2,000

QUESTIONS - call Jackie at (207)624-3017.

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WEBSITE: <http://www.maine.gov/mdot/ntwc/>

INVITE. The Maine Department of Transportation and FHWA are pleased to host the 2006 Biennial North-eastern Transportation and wildlife. This year’s conference will be held at the Sunday River Grand Summit Hotel in Newry, just outside of Bethel Maine.

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE. The Northeastern Transportation and Wildlife conference is a regional outgrowth of ICOET, International Conference on Ecology and Transportation. This is a forum on issues relating to interactions a between wildlife and transportation systems and associated impacts. This conference will allow states to share their work since the 2004 conference, discuss what they plan for the next 2 years, and give an update on the state’s Statewide Wildlife Conservation Plans. Information will also be shared on current strategies being used to reduce the impacts of transportation facilities on terrestrial, aquatic and fishery resources. An exposition of Vendors is also planned.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND? Anyone with information and experiences to share in the field of Transportation and Wildlife, including aquatic species. The audience should include Federal, and State, transportation, and fish and wildlife experts; municipal transportation and planning departments as well as consultants and vendors. The agenda is designed to provide information and a forum for feedback on many wildlife issues that affect transportation facilities.

AGENDA

Sunday, September 10th

- 4:00 - 6:00 pm Exhibit Set-up (Ketchum/Riley Room)
- 7:00 - 9:00 pm Registration (South Wing Lobby)
- 7:00 - 9:00 pm Welcome Reception

Monday, September 11th - State Discussions - (Ballroom)

- 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Exhibit Area Open & Registration
- 8:00 - 9:00 am Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 - 9:35 am **Opening Comments** - *Kathy Fuller*, MaineDOT, *Mark Stadler*, Maine DIFW; & *Jonathan McDade*, FHWA
- 9:35 - 10:15 am **ECO-LOGIC Highway Design** - *Janice Brown*, FHWA Montana Division
- 10:15 - 10:35 am Break - sponsored by Maine Audubon

- 10:35 - 10:55 am
 - 10:55 - 11:15 am
 - 11:15 - 11:35 pm
 - 11:35 am - Noon
 - 12:00 - 1:00 pm
 - 1:00 - 1:30 pm
 - 1:30 - 2:00 pm
 - 2:00 - 2:30 pm
 - 2:30 - 2:45 pm
 - 2:45 - 3:10 pm
 - 3:10 - 4:00 pm
 - 4:00 - 5:30 pm
 - 5:30 - 7:00 pm
 - After Dinner
 - 7:00 pm
- Work Done on the 2004 Goals to Date**
- ♦ **New Hampshire**
 - ♦ **Vermont**
 - ♦ **Maine**
- State Panel Discussion - Future Goals**
- Buffet Lunch
- News from the North**
- ♦ **New Brunswick** - *Mike Phillips*, New Brunswick DOT
 - ♦ **Quebec** - *Marius Poulin*, MTQ & *Christian Dussault*, University de Rimouski
- Montana Experience with Eco-Logic** - *Janice Brown*, FHWA
- Break - sponsored by Defenders of Wildlife
- Sagadahoc Initiative** - *Barbara Charry*, Maine Audubon
- Chloride/Anti-icing: The Questions We Need to Start Asking** - *Kevin Moody*, FHWA
- Free Time for Outdoor Activities - (on your own or with a group) - *take a hike, enjoy a swim, play some volleyball or horseshoes!*
- Lobster/Chicken Bake (Patio)
- What You Need to Know about ESA** - *Kevin Moody*, FHWA
- Drinks, Comments, & Conversation - (Legends Restaurant) - Join your friends and colleagues for an informal gathering. Conference organizers will be on hand to answer questions and get your comments on agenda for Day 2.

Tuesday, September 12th - Wildlife Issues

- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm Exhibit Area Open
- 7:00 - 8:00 am Continental Breakfast
- Statewide Wildlife Conservation Plans**
- ♦ **New Hampshire DNR**
- ♦ **Vermont**, *John Austin*, VT DF&W
- ♦ **Maine DIFW**
- Large Mammal Panel Discussion** - Moderator: TBA
- Introduction** by Moderator
- Route 2 Wildlife Corridor Study** - *Kurt Rinehart*, UVM
- Break
- Spatial Patterns and Landscape Characteristics of Motor Vehicle Collisions with Moose in Maine** - *Zachary Danks*, State University of NY College of Environmental Science & Forestry
- 10:25 - 11:05 am **Wildlife Tracking along Corridors** -

- 11:05 - 11:30 am
 - 11:30 - 12:30 pm
 - 12:30 - 12:40 pm
 - 12:40 - 1:15 pm
 - 1:15 - 1:50 pm
 - 1:50 - 2:15 pm
 - 2:15 - 2:30 pm
 - 2:30 - 2:55 pm
 - 2:55 - 3:20 pm
 - 3:20 - 4:00 pm
 - 5:00 - 7:00 pm
 - 8:00 pm
- Susan Morse*, Keeping Track
- Group Discussion** (including New Brunswick and Quebec)
- Buffet Lunch
- Herptile - Road Panel**
- Moderator: *Dr. Phillip deMaynadier*, Maine DIFW
- ♦ **Overview** by Moderator
 - ♦ **Outstanding Issues in the Design and Use of Passage Structures for Amphibians and Reptiles** - *Scott Jackson*, University of Massachusetts at Amherst
 - ♦ **Blanding’s Turtles & Roads: Snapshots from Minnesota and Nebraska** - *Dr. Jeff Lang*, University of Minnesota
 - ♦ **Road Crossing Structures for Amphibians and Reptiles: Informing Design through Behavioral Analysis** - *Hara Woltz* & *Dr. James Gibbs*, SUNY College of Env. Science & Forestry
- Break
- ♦ **Modeling Road Mortality Risk for Spotted and Blanding’s Turtles** - *Fred Beaudry* & *Dr. Malcolm Hunter*, University of Maine; and *Dr. Phillip deMaynadier*, Maine DIFW
 - ♦ **Observations on the Design and Use of NYS’s First Amphibian Tunnel** - *Alvin Breisch*, New York Dept. of Environmental Conservation & *Mark Fitzsimmons*, Albany Co. Office of Natural Resources
 - ♦ **Open Panel Discussion**
- Social / Dinner - BBQ (Patio)
- Drinks, Comments & Conversation

Wednesday, September 13th - Aquatic Organism Issues

- 7:00 am - Noon Exhibit Area Open
- 7:00 - 8:00 am New England Farmhouse Breakfast
- 8:00 - 10:00 am **Ecological Priorities Related to Designing Road Crossings / Natural Stream Simulation Design** - *Kozmo Ken Bates*, Washington State & *Scott Jackson*, University of Massachusetts
- 10:00 - 10:15 am Break
- 10:15 - 10:45 am **Fish Passage/Aquatic Habitat Connectivity Study in the Ashuelot River Watershed, NH** - *Doug Bechtel*, The Nature Conservancy NH Chapter
- 10:45 - 11:15 am **Army Corps of Engineering Regional Topic** - TBA, US Army Corps of Engineers
- 11:15 - 11:30 am Closing Remarks - TBA, FHWA